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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: Holmes et al.) Customer No.: 33,036
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Filed: 03/19/2004) Group Art Unit: 2838
For: OMNI VOLTAGE DIRECT) Examiner: R. B. Patel
CURRENT POWER SUPPLY) Office Action dated: 11/17/2006

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.111

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated November 17, 2006.

Initially, Applicants gratefully acknowledge the withdrawal of the prior rejections based on U.S. Patent Nos. 6,841,941 (Kim et al) and 6,864,641 (Dygert). However, claims 1–2, and 31–35 presently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly unpatentable over two newly cited U.S. patents. Claim 6 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly unpatentable over a previously cited U.S. patent. In addition, the claims 1 – 40 presently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as allegedly unpatentable over a combination of three cited U.S. patents.

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that this Amendment and any supporting documents therewith are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on the date indicated below by Ken S. Fisher.

5/17/07
Date

Signature

The claims herein have been amended without acquiescence in the grounds of the rejection or prejudice to pursue at a later time. It is believed that the invention as presently claimed is novel and distinct from the cited patents, for reasons explained in the Remarks below.

Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). This Amendment is submitted with 3 time extensions. Also attached is Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/21) for payment of same.

Accordingly, please amend this application as shown herein. In view of the amendments and accompanying remarks, reconsideration of the present rejection is respectfully requested.

Summary of Claims

Pending: 1-40

Amended: 1, 6, 10, 22, 26, and 31

Canceled: none

Unchanged: 2-5, 7-9, 11-21, 22-25, 27-31, and 32-40

New: none

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.